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## **OPA Daily Digest for 9/20/13**

### **Congressional Inquiries:**

**Rep. Ann Wagner** (Mo.) 9/18/13. Requests an update/briefing on the West Lake Landfill site. Due: 9/20/13. Contact: LaTonya Sanders, 7555 (open)

**Rep. Billy Long** (Mo.) 9/17/13. Subcontractor complaints of payments not received for work done on the Oronogo remediation project. Due: 10/2/13. Contact: LaTonya Sanders, 7555 (open)

**Rep. Tim Huelskamp** (Kan.) 9/17/13. Requests information on EPA's guidance for enforcing the SPCC rule after 9/23. Due: 9/18/13. Contact: LaTonya Sanders, 7555 (open)

### **State Government Inquiries:**

**Rep. Bill Otto** (Mo): 9/17/13: Questions on sources of radioactive isotopes at Westlake site. Contact: Sarah Hatch, 7199 (open)

### **Press Inquiries:**

**St. Louis Post-Dispatch** - Jeff Tomich – 9/19/13: Questions about West Lake Landfill Site at Bridgeton, Mo. Contact: Chris Whitley, 7394 (closed)

**KWMU Public Radio, St. Louis** – Veronique LaCapra – 9/20/13: Questions about West Lake Landfill Site at Bridgeton, Mo. Contact: Chris Whitley, 7394 (closed)

**WOWT Channel 6, Omaha, Neb.** – Mike McKnight – 9/19/13: Questions about homeowner's concerns over handling of residential yard soil replacement project at the Omaha Lead Site. Contact: Chris Whitley, 7394 (closed)

**Domestic Fuel - Joanna Schroeder** – 9/19/13: Questions regarding how to access the administrator's carbon pollution speech. Contact: David Bryan, 7433 (closed)

**ShaleReporter.com** – Rachel Morgan – 9/20/13: Questions regarding media advisory regarding background briefing. Contact: David Bryan, 7433 (closed)

**Kansas Public Radio** – Bryan Thomson – 9/20/13: Questions regarding whether Sunflower Power Plant in Holcomb was considered "commenced construction" or a new plant under this proposal. Contact: David Bryan, 7433 (closed)

**Wall Street Journal** – Ryan Tracy– 9/20/13: Questions regarding whether Sunflower Power Plant in Holcomb was considered "commenced construction" or a new plant under this

proposal. Contact: David Bryan, 7433 (closed)

**The Energy Fix** – Jim Pierobon– 9/20/13: Questions regarding whether Sunflower Power Plant in Holcomb was considered “commenced construction” or a new plant under this proposal. Contact: David Bryan, 7433 (closed)

## Environmental Stories:

**Des Moines Register - Alliant: New EPA standards built into proposed \$700 million power plant in Marshalltown** - 9/20/12 - Alliant Energy says it's proposed \$700 million power plant in Marshalltown, slated to begin construction in late 2014, is being designed to meet tighter federal standards on carbon emissions.

<http://blogs.desmoinesregister.com/dmr/index.php/2013/09/20/alliant-new-epa-standards-built-into-proposed-700-million-power-plant-in-marshalltown/article>

**USA Today - EPA's emission limits require coal plants adopt new tech** - 9/20/13 - Lawsuits are expected to challenge the Environmental Protection Agency's proposal today to limit emissions from new power plants, and the main reason is cutting-edge, anti-pollution technology.

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/09/19/epa-limits-emissions-coal-power-plants-carbon-capture-technology/2838391/>

**Washington Post - EPA moves to limit emissions of future coal- and gas-fired power plants** - 9/20/13 - The Environmental Protection Agency will move Friday to strictly limit the amount of carbon that future coal- and gas-fired power plants can pour into the atmosphere, the first such restrictions on greenhouse gases imposed by the agency.

[http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/epa-moves-to-limit-emissions-of-future-coal--and-gas-fired-power-plants/2013/09/19/e71728bc-2139-11e3-a358-1144dee636dd\\_story.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/epa-moves-to-limit-emissions-of-future-coal--and-gas-fired-power-plants/2013/09/19/e71728bc-2139-11e3-a358-1144dee636dd_story.html)

**Washington Post - Will coal survive the EPA's new carbon rules?** - 9/19/13 - On Friday, the Environmental Protection Agency is expected to propose limits on carbon-dioxide emissions from all new power plants built in the United States. It's the first big plank in the Obama administration's second-term climate plan.

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/wonkblog/wp/2013/09/19/will-coal-survive-the-epas-new-carbon-rules/>

**New York Times - Administration Presses Ahead With Limits on Emissions From Power Plants** - 9/20/13 - A year after a plan by President Obama to limit greenhouse gas emissions from new power plants set off angry opposition, the administration will announce on Friday that it is not backing down from a confrontation with the coal industry and will press ahead with enacting the first federal carbon limits on the nation's power companies.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2013/09/20/us/politics/obama-administration-announces-limits-on-emissions-from-power-plants.html>

**The White House Blog - Moritz: A Clean Energy Revolution -- Now** - 9/19/13 - For decades, America has chased after the promise of clean, domestic energy. But even as costs fell and technology matured, that clean energy future seemed to linger just beyond our reach. Critics often said this new world would “always be five years away.” Today, that is changing.

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2013/09/19/clean-energy-revolution-now>

**Reuters - U.S. EPA sets first ever curbs on power plant pollution** - 9/20/13 - The Obama administration on Friday unveiled new regulations setting strict limits on the amount of carbon pollution that can be generated by any new U.S. power plant, which are certain to face legal challenges and a backlash from congressional supporters of the coal industry.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/09/20/usa-energy-emissions-idUSL2N0HG0GL20130920>

**TIME (blog) - It's Not Just Obama's Carbon Rules That Are Killing Coal. It's Cheap Gas.** - 9/20/13 - New regulations from the EPA will make it almost impossible to build a new coal plant. But cheap natural gas was doing that already.

<http://science.time.com/2013/09/20/its-not-just-obamas-carbon-rules-that-are-killing-coal-its-cheap-gas/>

**Wall Street Journal - White House to Press Curbs on Power-Plant Emissions** - 9/20/13 - The Obama administration will press ahead Friday with tough requirements for new coal-fired power plants, moving to impose for the first time strict limits on the pollution blamed for global warming.

<http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424127887323808204579086123486325350.html>

**Politico - Coal in President Obama's climate crosshairs** - 9/20/13 - The Obama administration is preparing to draw a red line against coal pollution, with a proposal that for the first time would limit climate-changing emissions from all future power plants. <http://www.politico.com/story/2013/09/coal-barack-obama-epa-greenhouse-gas-emissions-97104.html>

**Forbes - As Obama Unveils New Regs, Coal Could Be Resurrected If Carbon Could Be Buried** - 9/20/13 - It's a big day for coal-fired power plants, which will formally learn the Obama administration's plans on how they are to be regulated. <http://www.forbes.com/sites/kensilverstein/2013/09/20/coal-could-be-resurrected-if-carbon-could-be-buried/>

**Mother Jones - Will the EPA Kill Coal?** - 9/20/13 - On Friday, the EPA will introduce carbon standards that could prevent new coal-fired plants from being built. But has natural gas already won the "war on coal"? <http://www.motherjones.com/environment/2013/09/epa-carbon-kill-coal>

**Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier (Iowa) - Branstad Farms agree to settle water permit violations** - 9/19/13 - Environmental Protection Agency officials announced an agreement Thursday with Branstad Farms in Hancock County to settle alleged violations of the cattle-feeding facility's water permit. <http://wcfcourier.com/news/local/govt-and-politics/80a5a860-3169-56de-8c6c-607f4529da44.html>

**Associated Press - Farm owned by Branstad brother agrees to pay fine** - 9/19/13 - Federal Environmental Protection Agency officials announced an agreement Thursday with Branstad Farms in Hancock County to settle alleged violations of the cattle-feeding facility's water permit. <http://siouxcityjournal.com/news/state-and-regional/iowa/947ec278-274b-5c10-b61a-0b66447fcd75.html>

**Cedar Rapids Gazette (Iowa) - Branstad Farms agrees to settle alleged EPA water permit violations** - 9/19/13 - Branstad Farms of Forest City, owned by Monroe Branstad, the brother of Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad, has agreed to pay a \$5,100 civil penalty and perform a \$26,000 supplemental environmental project to settle alleged violations of the facility's NPDES permit. <http://thegazette.com/2013/09/19/branstad-farms-agrees-to-settle-alleged-epa-water-permit-violations/>

**Des Moines Register - FEMA aid rejection stuns power cooperatives** - 9/20/13 - Stunned officials from Iowa's rural electric cooperatives are reeling from a federal rejection of \$20 million in disaster aid to repair electric systems in northwest Iowa badly damaged during an April storm. <http://www.desmoinesregister.com/article/20130920/NEWS/309200061/1001/>

**Lincoln Journal-Star - Local View: Tapping local energy resources** - 9/20/13 - Now is the time. Polls in Nebraska repeatedly have shown that the public supports development of local renewable energy resources such as solar and wind, but high cost has been the biggest argument preventing movement forward. That barrier is eroding rapidly. [http://journalstar.com/news/opinion/editorial/columnists/local-view-tapping-local-energy-resources/article\\_bf2bee12-e1f1-5850-a572-ad3c21db6bda.html](http://journalstar.com/news/opinion/editorial/columnists/local-view-tapping-local-energy-resources/article_bf2bee12-e1f1-5850-a572-ad3c21db6bda.html)

**Lincoln Journal-Star - Pipeline backers, opponents face off in D.C.** - 9/19/13 - Supporters and opponents of the Keystone XL pipeline in Nebraska squared off again Thursday in a congressional hearing in Washington. [http://journalstar.com/news/state-and-regional/nebraska/pipeline-backers-opponents-traveling-to-dc/article\\_cf165084-8fc4-536d-a7bc-2f852d4f2f06.html](http://journalstar.com/news/state-and-regional/nebraska/pipeline-backers-opponents-traveling-to-dc/article_cf165084-8fc4-536d-a7bc-2f852d4f2f06.html)

**Wichita Eagle - Shell Oil pulling out of Kansas** - 9/19/13 - Shell Oil has confirmed what it had hinted earlier: that it is pulling out of Kansas completely, selling off 45 producing wells and 600,000 acres of leases in Barber, Harper, Kingman, Pratt, McPherson, Sedgwick, Sumner, Rice and Reno counties. <http://www.kansas.com/2013/09/19/3008861/shell-oil-pulling-out-of-kansas.html>

**Joplin Globe - Employee sues Empire District Electric Co.; lawsuit claims exposure to harmful materials at Riverton plant** - 9/19/13 - A lawsuit filed this month alleges that the Empire District Electric Co. knowingly exposed employees at its power plant in Riverton to asbestos and other hazardous materials. <http://www.joplinglobe.com/local/x703118767/Employee-sues-Empire-District-Electric-Co-lawsuit-claims-exposure-to-harmful-materials-at-Riverton-plant>

**Radio Iowa - Governor's brother agrees to pay \$5,100 EPA fine, spend \$26,000 restoring wetlands** - 9/19/13 - Governor Branstad's brother has been fined by the federal government and has agreed to restore some wetland areas after alleged Clean Water Act violations at his cattle feedlot in northern Iowa. <http://www.radioiowa.com/2013/09/19/governors-brother-agrees-to-pay-5100-epa-fine-spend-26000-restoring-wetlands/>

**Kansas City Business Journal - KC's Water Services pumps up millions in improvement contracts** - 9/29/13 - Kansas City's Water Services Department has just under \$10

million in infrastructure maintenance projects on tap with a number of local firms. <http://www.bizjournals.com/kansascity/news/2013/09/19/kc-water-services-pumps-up-millions.html>

**Des Moines Register - Ethanol plant in Emmetsburg set to open early next year** - 9/20/13 - By next summer, Poet-DSM Advanced Biofuels should have any glitches worked out at the \$250 million Emmetsburg, Iowa, plant, Steve Hartig, general manager of the joint venture, said Thursday during a biotech conference in Sioux Falls. <http://www.desmoinesregister.com/viewart/20130920/BUSINESS/130920012/Ethanol-plant-Emmetsburg-set-open-early-next-year>

**National Hog Farmer - Manure Digester Means Nebraska Farm is Powered by Pigs** - This Nebraska finisher makes electricity and produces fuel for farm vehicles. <http://nationalhogfarmer.com/environment/manure-digester-means-nebraska-farm-powered-pigs>

**NPR - EPA Wants To Limit Greenhouse Gases From New Coal Power Plants (+audio)** - 9/20/13 - The Environmental Protection Agency's second stab at a proposal to set the first-ever limits on greenhouse gas emissions from new power plants would make it impossible for companies to build the kind of coal-fired plants that have been the country's biggest source of electricity for decades. <http://www.npr.org/2013/09/20/223817507/epa-wants-to-limit-greenhouse-gases-from-new-coal-power-plants>

**Earth2Tech - Obama to move forward on limits on power plant emissions** - 9/20/13 - In a move that could be a major trigger for the market for emissions reductions technologies for power plants, the Obama administration plans to announce initial limits for new natural gas and coal plants. <http://gigaom.com/2013/09/19/obama-to-move-forward-on-limits-on-power-plant-emissions/>

**House Energy & Commerce Committee (release) - Committee Leaders Respond to EPA's Plan to Restrict Access to Affordable, Reliable Electricity** - 9/20/13 - House Energy and Commerce Committee Chairman Fred Upton (R-MI) and Energy and Power Subcommittee Chairman Ed Whitfield (R-KY) today responded to EPA's release of its revised proposal to set greenhouse gas New Source Performance Standards for new power plants. <http://energycommerce.house.gov/press-release/committee-leaders-respond-epas-plan-restrict-access-affordable-reliable-electricity>

**NRDC Switchboard - EPA Launches Carbon Pollution Standards for New Power Plants, First Step in President Obama's Plan to Protect Our Kids and Grandkids from Dangerous Climate Change** - 9/20/13 - The Environmental Protection Agency today launched proposed standards to limit dangerous carbon pollution from new power plants. This is the first big step to implement President Obama's ambitious Climate Action Plan, announced in June. [http://switchboard.nrdc.org/blogs/ddoniger/epa\\_launches\\_carbon\\_pollution.html](http://switchboard.nrdc.org/blogs/ddoniger/epa_launches_carbon_pollution.html)

**Greenwire - Upton invokes Solyndra at hearing where Republicans clash with pipeline foes** - 9/19/13 - House Energy and Commerce Chairman Fred Upton (R-Mich.) today invoked the specter of defunct solar firm Solyndra as friends and foes of Keystone XL squared off, homing in on the hotbed of resistance to the oil sands crude pipeline that has developed in rural Nebraska. <http://www.eenews.net/greenwire/stories/1059987539>

**Greenwire - House panel votes unanimously to send water resources bill to the floor** - 9/19/13 - H.R. 3080 would authorize new water projects, deauthorize languishing ones and institute major reforms of the Army Corps of Engineers' processes without using earmarks. <http://www.eenews.net/greenwire/stories/1059987540>

**Greenwire - USDA to buy more sugar for fuel production** - 9/19/13 - The Department of Agriculture is planning another purchase of excess sugar for resale to ethanol producers in a bid to boost falling domestic sugar prices. <http://www.eenews.net/greenwire/stories/1059987525>

**Yale Environment 360 - Fracked Shale Formations Could Store Carbon Dioxide, Study Says** - 9/19/13 - Storing carbon dioxide in the same shale formations that produce natural gas may be an effective way to sequester carbon dioxide produced by fossil fuel-burning power plants. [http://e360.yale.edu/digest/fracked\\_shale\\_formations\\_could\\_store\\_carbon\\_dioxide\\_study\\_says/3955/](http://e360.yale.edu/digest/fracked_shale_formations_could_store_carbon_dioxide_study_says/3955/)

**Brownfield Ag News - Conservation is a top priority on this Iowa farm (+audio)** - 9/20/13 - In recent years farmers and ranchers all across the U.S. have become more conservation-minded. Laura Foell, who farms with her husband Bill near the town of Schaller, Iowa, shares with us some of the conservation practices they have implemented—and some that they are currently contemplating—on their farm in northwest Iowa. <http://brownfieldagnews.com/2013/09/20/conservation-top-priority-iowa-farm/>

**Environmental Health News - Air pollution and the gut: Are fine particles linked to bowel disease?** - 9/20/13 - A small but growing number of studies now suggest that air pollutants may play a role in diseases of the gut. <http://www.environmentalhealthnews.org/ehs/news/2013/air-pollution-and-the-gut>

**Grist - EPA chief tells Grist what coal will have to do to survive in a “carbon-constrained” future** - 9/20/13 - In an interview with Grist, EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy said the proposed regulations for new plants are not intended to push coal out of the energy mix. Still, the standards are pretty strict. <http://grist.org/climate-energy/epa-chief-tells-grist-what-coal-will-have-to-do-to-survive-in-a-carbon-constrained-future/>

**New York Times - Misgivings About How a Weed Killer Affects the Soil** - 9/19/13 - On a windy day this spring, Dennis Von Arb's neighbor sprayed glyphosate on his fields, and some of the herbicide blew onto Mr. Von Arb's conventionally grown corn, killing the first few rows. He's more concerned, though, about the soil. <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/09/20/business/misgivings-about-how-a-weed-killer-affects-the-soil.html>

**Think Progress - Study Of Best Fracked Wells Finds Low Methane Emissions, But Skips Super-Emitters** - 9/19/13 - The good news: A sample of what are probably the best fracked wells in the country finds low emissions of methane, a potent heat-trapping gas. The bad news: The study likely missed the super-emitters, the wells that are responsible for the vast majority of methane leakage. <http://thinkprogress.org/climate/2013/09/19/2646881/study-fracked-wells-methane-emissions-super-emitters/>

**Washington Post - Unions launch offensive against potential government shutdown** - 9/20/13 - Federal employee unions, having guided their members through government shutdown threats in 2011 and 2012, are arming for another possible shutdown in 11 days if Congress cannot resolve its partisan fiscal battle, taking their opposition to Congress and the Obama administration. <http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/federal-eye/wp/2013/09/19/unions-launch-offensive-against-potential-government-shutdown/>

**BNA - EPA Will Withdraw From OMB Review Guidance Clarifying Water Act Jurisdiction** - 9/20/13 - The Environmental Protection Agency confirmed that it will withdraw guidance clarifying Clean Water Act jurisdiction over the nation's waters and wetlands from the White House Office of Management and Budget, which has been reviewing the guidance since February 2012. [http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split\\_display.adp?fedfid=36630976&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0e1w6m8b0&split=0](http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=36630976&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0e1w6m8b0&split=0)

**BNA - EPA Rejected New Air Quality Data When Making Ozone Designations, States Say** - 9/20/13 - EPA rejected updated air quality monitoring data when it made its ozone nonattainment designations, states (Mississippi, Tennessee and Texas) challenging the designations say in their court briefs. [http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split\\_display.adp?fedfid=36630979&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0e1w6q2t9&split=0](http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=36630979&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0e1w6q2t9&split=0)

**BNA - Reid Says He Will Work With McConnell On Power Plant Carbon Rules, Coal Issue** - 9/20/13 - Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) blocked consideration of a bill that would effectively halt Environmental Protection Agency rules to control carbon dioxide from new and existing power plants but said he would work with Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) on issues affecting the coal sector. [http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split\\_display.adp?fedfid=36630971&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0e1w6f2v5&split=0](http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=36630971&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0e1w6f2v5&split=0)

**Inside EPA - EPA Water Rule Could Stymie Suit Over Mississippi Basin Nutrient Limits** - 9/19/13 - EPA's just-published proposal for preempting state water quality standards could undercut ongoing litigation by environmentalists seeking to force the agency to invoke that authority to craft strict new nutrient limits for states in the Mississippi River Basin. <http://insideepa.com/201309192447382/EPA-Daily-News/Daily-News/epa-water-rule-could-stymie-suit-over-mississippi-basin-nutrient-limits/menu-id-95.html>

**Inside EPA - Keystone XL Advocates Renew Push On Fifth Anniversary** - 9/19/13 - Supporters of the Keystone XL tar sands pipeline are renewing their push for final approval of the project by citing the fifth anniversary Sept. 19 of TransCanada's initial application for the Obama administration to grant a presidential permit for the pipeline that would carry high-emitting tar sands fuel from Alberta, Canada, to Texas. <http://insideepa.com/201309192447361/EPA-Blog/The-Inside-Story/keystone-xl-advocates-renew-push-on-fifth-anniversary/menu-id-97.html>

**Inside EPA - Blumenauer Said To Restore Drinking Water Sector To Trust Fund's Coverage** - 9/19/13 - Rep. Earl Blumenauer (D-OR), who is preparing to introduce revised legislation that would create a federal trust fund to finance water infrastructure projects, is said to be planning to restore the drinking water sector to the fund's coverage after dropping the sector from the bill in the last Congress due to its opposition to the concept. <http://insideepa.com/201309192447318/EPA-Daily-News/Daily-News/blumenauer-said-to-restore-drinking-water-sector-to-trust-funds-coverage/menu-id-95.html>



**Inside EPA - DOD, Regulators Re-Start Group To Address Munitions Cleanup Challenges** - 9/19/13 - The Defense Department (DOD), EPA and states have launched a new version of a munitions cleanup dialogue group aimed at addressing policy and procedures affecting munitions responses, overcoming obstacles to cleanup and developing best practices for these sites, according to sources. <http://insideepa.com/201309192447317/EPA-Daily-News/Daily-News/dod-regulators-re-start-group-to-address-munitions-cleanup-challenges/menu-id-95.html>

**Inside EPA - EPA Unlikely To Meet Deadline For Rule Scrapping 'Upset' Emission Policy** - 9/20/13 - EPA is "unlikely" to meet a looming Sept. 26 settlement agreement deadline to finalize a rule to force 36 states to rewrite their air plans to scrap Clean Air Act penalty exemptions for "upset" emissions during startup, shutdown and malfunction (SSM) periods that violate emissions limits, says acting EPA air chief Janet McCabe. <http://insideepa.com/201309202447490/EPA-Daily-News/Daily-News/epa-unlikely-to-meet-deadline-for-rule-scrapping-upset-emission-policy/menu-id-95.html>

### **Press Releases:**

Link to all R7 press releases: <http://go.usa.gov/Qx5>

**Hancock County, Iowa, Cattle Feeder Agrees to Innovative Settlement for Violating Water Permit** – 9/19/13: Contact: Ben Washburn, 7364

**EPA Region 7 Comments on Republic Services' Intentions to Build Isolation Barrier at West Lake Landfill Superfund Site** – 9/20/13: Contact: Chris Whitley, 7394

### **Fact Sheets:**

Link to all R7 fact sheets: <http://www.epa.gov/region7/factsheets>

None

### **Upcoming Administrator/RA Events:**

\* New additions noted with an asterisk

**10/2/13** - Quaker Oats WasteWise Event, Columbia, Mo. Contact: Becky Weber, 7487

**10/2/13** - Bridgeton Update with Sara Parker Pauley and Missouri Attorney General Chris Koster, Jefferson City, Mo., Contact: Ron Hammerschmidt, 7566

**10/3/13** - 2013 TMDL 4-State Conference, Regional Office. Contact: John DeLashmit, 7821

**10/31/13** - RA Meeting, Washington DC. Contact: Julia Cacho, 7071

**10/8/13** – Children's Health Month – EJ Small Grants Kick-Off Event, TBD. Contact: LaTonya Sanders, 7555

**10/10/13** – Choteau Gateway Discussion with St. Louis Mayor, St. Louis, Mo. Contact: Karen Flournoy, 7782

**10/15/13** - 2013 Fall Water Symposium, Lincoln, Neb. Contact: Karen Flournoy, 7782

**10/29-30/13** - SES National Executive Leadership Development Conference, Washington, DC. Contact: Becky Weber, 7487

**11/15/13** – R7 Senior Management Retreat, National Archives at Kansas City, Mo. Contact: Wendy Lubbe, 7551

**DRA:**

**10/07/13** - National SPCC Training Conference, Regional Office Contact: Margaret Stockdale, 7936

**10/09/13** - Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration, Regional Office Contact: Karim Dawani, 7289

**10/29-30/13** - SES National Executive Leadership Development Conference - Washington, DC. Contact: Becky Weber, 7487

**10/31 –11/1/13** - Executive Management Council Meeting, Washington, DC Contact: Dana Peters, 7444

#### **RA/Immediate Office**

None

#### **Other Events**

#### **AWMD**

**\*9/22/2013** – MARC Air Quality Forum, Kansas City, Mo. Contact: Amy Bhesania, 7147.

**\*9/22/2013** – National Radon Meeting, Springfield, Ill. Contact: Gina Grier, 7078.

#### **CNSL**

None

#### **ECO/EJ**

**9/24 - 25/13** – EJ Small Grant Coordinators Workshop, Arlington, Va. Contact: Brendan Corazzin, 7429

**10/9/13** – Black Health Care Coalition EJ Small Grant Kick Off, Kansas City, Mo. Contact: Althea Moses, 7649

**11/1/2013** – EJ Presentation at Children's Mercy Hospital, Kansas City, Mo. Contact: Althea Moses, 7649

#### **ENSV**

**\*9/24/13** – Wastewater treatment plant evaluation, Walthill, Neb. Contact: Gary Welker, 7177 and Craig Thompson, 7266

**\*9/24-25/13** – Fish tissue collection, Meskwaki, Ponca, and Winnebago Tribes, Iowa and Neb. Contact: Deanna Collier, 5061 and Shawn Henderson, 7503

**\*9/25-26/13** – Built Environment and the Outdoors Summit, Topeka, Kan. Contact: Roberta Vogel-Leutung, 7072

**\*9/26-28/13** - Iowa project meeting with ORD, USGS, and Region 7, Ames, Iowa. Contact: Brenda Groskinsky, 7188

#### **PLMG**

None

**RA/OPA**

**9/24/13** – Attend CAG meeting for West Lake Landfill Superfund site, St. Louis, Mo. Contact: Ben Washburn, 7364, Debbie Kring, 7725

**SUPR**

None

**WWPD**

**9/22-26/13** – Ground Water Protection Council meeting with other state Primacy Agencies, St. Louis, Mo. Contacts: Mary Tietjen-Mindrup, 7431, Kurt Hildebrandt, 7413

**9/23/13** - Kansas Department of Health and Environment program implementation issues, Topeka, Kan. Contact: Steve Schaff, 7447

**9/18/13** – Renovation, Repair, and Painting Rule and Lead Hazard Disclosure Presentation, Missouri Association of Code Enforcement, Lake Ozark, Mo. Contact: Tom Brick, 7913

**9/24/13** – Metropolitan Sewer District Consent Decree Update, St. Louis, Mo. Contacts: Karen Flournoy, 7782, Jodi Bruno, 7810

**9/25/13** - Missouri Water and Wastewater Conference, Columbia, Mo. Contacts: Neftali Hernandez-Santiago, 7036, Stan Calow, 7410

**9/30/13** - Kansas Department of Health and Environment program implementation issues, Topeka, Kan. Contact: Steve Schaff, 7447

**10/3/13** – Iowa Tribes Sanitary Survey, White Cloud, Kan. Contact: Kimberly Willis, 7069

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